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FM AMEMBASSY MEXICO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1051

AMEMBASSY BONN

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AMCONSUL RIO DE JANEIRO

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SUBJ: MEXICAN NUCLEAR POWER PROGRAM

REF: A. MEXICO A-361 B. MEXICO A-415

1. INTEREST IN ALTERNATIVES TO U.S. SUPPLIERS OF NUCLEAR ENERGY PLANTS CONTINUES TO BE EVIDENT IN MEXICO. IN ADDITION TO SERIOUS CONSIDERATION OF CANDU REACTOR TECHNOLOGY, THE COMISION FEDERAL DE ELECTRICIDAD (CFE) IS ALSO DISCUSSING WITH THE GERMANS A PACKAGE FUEL CYCLE DEAL INSPIRED NO DOUBT BY THE FRG-BRAZILIAN DEAL. (SEE REF A) ANY INFORMATION WHICH AMEMBASSY BONN CAN OBTAIN RE CFE DICUSSIONS IN FRG WOULD BE USEFUL.

2. MEXICO HAS VERY AMBITIOUS NUCLEAR POWER PLANS (15,000 MWE
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BY 1990) (SEE REF B) AND EMBASSY NOT SANGUINE THAT U.S. WILL

CONTINUE PLAY MAJOR ROLE IN NUCLEAR MARKET HERE.

3. ALTHOUGH GE PROCEEDING WITH LAGUNA VERDE WORK, THEY STILL HAVE NOT REPT NO SIGNED CONTRACT WITH CFE. CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS PROCEEDING SLOWLY, DELAYED BY WHAT GE DESCRIBES AS CFE NIT PICKS.

4. CFE-INEN TEAM PLANNINT TO GO TO ERDA WASHINGTON TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE LOAN TO MEXICO OF UF6 FEED FOR LAGUNA VERDE. EMBASSY WILL INFORM ERDA OF PRECISE DATES AS SOON AS DETERMINED. ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION WHICH CAN BE FORWARDED TO MEXICANS IN ADVANCE OF VISIT SHOULD BE CABLED ASAP. TEAM MEMBERS ARE:

LUIS GALVEZ CRUZ - DEP DIR GEN INEN

CARLOS VELEZ - INEN

HECTOR DE LA FUENTE - CFE

REUBEN ORTEGA - CFE.

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